



Albert Hilliard Sr.

January 20, 1928 - January 7, 2026

Obituary for Albert Hilliard, Sr.

Initially, the family planned to write a traditional obituary. But they soon realized that Albert Hilliard, Sr., born January 20, 1928, was not a typical husband, father, brother, uncle, cousin, grandfather, great-grandfather, great-great-grandfather, friend, or coworker. He was extraordinary in every role he held.

Albert was born in Orangeburg, South Carolina, to the late Earnest and Bessie Abraham-Hilliard. He attended public school in Orangeburg, leaving at an early age to help support his family. A hard worker from the very beginning, Albert later moved to Maryland in 1952, where he began working in the poultry industry. He eventually became a heavy-equipment operator in the construction field, a career to which he dedicated many years. After retiring in the mid-1980s, Albert continued to serve faithfully, working on the docks in West Ocean City whenever needed, until the end of his long and well-lived life.

Albert was a devoted member of Jehovah Tabernacle Holiness Church, where he served first as a trustee and later as a deacon for many years. His faith guided every part of his life.

A loving husband and father, Albert provided for his family and loved them unconditionally. He was a man of many talents — a mechanic, plumber, landscaper, and gifted baker. He was known by many for his delicious brownies and sweet potato pies. Albert was an easy-going, quiet gentleman who “never complained” about anything life placed in his path. In his spare time, he loved bowling with family and friends. He also loved old-school gospel music and would sometimes bless the church with renditions of his favorite James Patterson songs. Albert will be missed immensely.

His legacy lives on through: his beloved wife of forty-eight (48) years, Blanche Hilliard; eight sons, Albert (Linda) Hilliard of Berlin, MD, Robert (Sheila) Hilliard of Jacksonville, NC, Lorenzo West of Lewes, DE, Alphonso (Toni) Hilliard of West Palm Beach, FL, Melvin (Andrea) Hilliard of Berlin, MD, Robert (Maxine) Hilliard of Mardela Springs, MD, Wayne Hilliard of Frederick, MD; and Glen Hilliard of Stockton, MD; two daughters, Vyoletus Candelario of Pocomoke, MD, and Lisa Hilliard of Whaleyville, MD; a special niece, Della Carter of Orangeburg, South Carolina; twenty-five grandchildren; several great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, church family, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, Arlese Hilliard, one daughter, Cormelia Hilliard, and fourteen brothers and one sister.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 17. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Jehovah Tabernacle Holiness (Berlin)
12003 Sinepuvent Rd
Berlin, MD 21811

Funeral Service

JAN 17. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CC

“ Candy, Corky, Tina, CJ and Caitlin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Albert Hilliard Sr..

Candy, Corky, Tina, CJ and Caitlin - January 17 at 11:06 AM

CC

“ Candy, Corky, Tina, CJ and Caitlin purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Albert Hilliard Sr..



Candy, Corky, Tina, CJ and Caitlin - January 17 at 11:06 AM

JV

“ To the family;

Please accept my deepest sympathy on the passing of Uncle Albert. I was so happy to see him over the summer at the family reunion. It really made my heart happy. My prayers are with you all.

*In Sympathy;
Deacon John Void-Nephew
Milford, CT*

John Void - January 16 at 08:29 AM

AC

“ *Amanda Collins lit a candle in memory of Albert Hilliard Sr.*



Amanda Collins - January 15 at 04:58 PM

SS

“ *Steven Snell & Tina Snell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Albert Hilliard Sr..*

Steven Snell & Tina Snell - January 15 at 04:02 PM

SS

“ *Steven Snell & Tina Snell purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Albert Hilliard Sr..*



Steven Snell & Tina Snell - January 15 at 04:02 PM

WF

“ *Wendell & Nalice Hilliard and family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Albert Hilliard Sr..*



Wendell & Nalice Hilliard and family - January 15 at 11:41 AM

YF

“ Your niece Nancy Henry and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Albert Hilliard Sr..

Your niece Nancy Henry and Family - January 15 at 04:13 AM

YF

“ Your niece Nancy Henry and Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Albert Hilliard Sr..



Your niece Nancy Henry and Family - January 15 at 04:13 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Albert Hilliard Sr..



January 12 at 02:21 PM

AH

“ Angel Hilliard lit a candle in memory of Albert Hilliard Sr.



Angel Hilliard - January 12 at 08:14 AM

SA

“ Y'all have my deepest condolences

sarahderricksonmitchell - January 12 at 07:45 AM

PJ

Sincere Condolences to the Hilliard Family 🥺💔

Portia Jarmon - January 14 at 01:53 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Albert Hilliard Sr..



January 10 at 05:36 PM

CB

“ Cassandra Bailey lit a candle in memory of Albert Hilliard Sr.



Cassandra Bailey - January 10 at 04:09 PM

TW

“ Sorry For Your Loss



Thomas Widgeon - January 10 at 07:34 AM

JL

“ To the Hilliard Family. You have my deepest condolences for the lost of your Gentle Giant, Mr. Albert! The utmost man with much dignity of self, and an honorable gentleman. Very soft spoken, but mighty in strength, and firmness.

Such a sweet soul that I will truly miss! Rest on Mr, Albert, aka. Uncle Albert. Fish Man Albert.. I pray that Jesus will continue comfort and begun to heal the broken hearts...

Joey Malinda Louis

Joey Malinda Louis - January 10 at 12:08 AM

BM

This hits like home to me. I was lost for words when I heard the news. Joey you said it all. Much ❤️ love to the family.

Bernida Marshall - January 13 at 02:39 PM

LB

My prayers and condolences to the family and friends 🙏

Lillian Bowden - January 16 at 09:56 AM